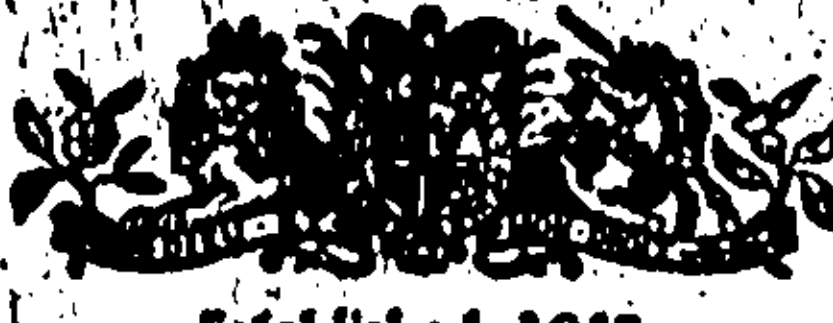


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## COMMENT OF THE DAY

### No, No, NO!

It is a hard and probably very selfish thing to say but Mr Peter Thorneycroft must give a flat and very determined "No" to South Africa's demand to cut Hongkong textile exports. They cannot be stopped or curtailed. To do either would be not only incalculably dangerous - it could be the precedent and trigger of a chain reaction that would be disastrous to this Colony.

Mr Eric Louw, South Africa's Minister of Finance, wants our exports stopped preferably - exports which are popular in terms of African living standards, exports which, in fact, give Africans one of the few opportunities to buy at a fair price. But to be honest, self-interest dictates this plea against a truly farcical proposal. Imagine, if Britain supported the idea, Japan would be getting better and fairer treatment than Hongkong on the South African market.

Think of the possible consequences if Mr Louw got his way - it would not be just the paltry few million dollars worth of textile exports to South Africa that would be lost, but Lancashire's demand for restrictions, in the light of Mr Thorneycroft's concession to a Commonwealth country, could hardly be refused. Then it would be Trinidad's turn - and why should it stop at textile exports? Why not rubber boots, torches, thermos flasks, shirts, singlets, plasticware, umbrellas - because they are all cheap and must undercut wherever they sell in the West.

BUT why should Hongkong be penalised because wages here happen to be lower and labour more plentiful than most other places? It is about the only industrial advantage the Colony has. We have no raw materials, no natural fuels. Our factories are small and our total output insignificant compared with those of European countries. And technologically it is, on the whole, quite a few years behind.

Why does not Mr Thorneycroft tell these critics of the Colony the facts - that but for our post-1950 factory boom, Hongkong would be bankrupt. Local industry's output makes up only 30 per cent of our exports but this, since the embargo on trade with China was imposed, has been enough to keep our heads above water.

Hongkong cannot tolerate any attempt to impose quotas on exports; to do so would be to expose us to the gravest danger particularly considering the five other major threats to our exports listed on Wednesday by Mr C. C. Yin. The Colony is fighting hard against an aggressively competitive Japan and China. The field will be narrowed and markets tightened as other Asian nations develop their own light industries. But if the Commonwealth were to impose barriers as well, the economic hardship and unemployment it would cause might well prove too much even for this Colony's remarkable resilience.

## THIS MAY ASTOUND YOU

Tomorrow the China Mail publishes an article that will probably astound you. In it, two noted foreign correspondents who have just left China and Russia compare notes.

They are Rene MacColl and Sydney Smith and their findings: China's power could drive the U.S. and Russia together. This is only one of the topical features in tomorrow's feature-packed week-end Mail with something for everyone in the family. Watch out also for these:

- ★ "My wife is stronger than a mule," says Dr Milko Skofic, alias Mr Lollobrigida.
- ★ Aldous Huxley continues his series: "Brave New World Re-visited".
- ★ Les Armour analyses why Eisenhower decided to run again.

There are all your regular favourites as well, including Jane Roberts' film reviews, three pages of local and overseas pictures, special sections for women, children and sportsmen, puzzles, comic strips, cartoons - and Giles - all in the China Mail.

## Bid To Break 10-Year-Old Arms Deadlock

Washington, July 12.

The U.S. is preparing a new proposal to the Soviet Union designed to break the ten-year deadlock in disarmament, it was learned today.

The proposal may call on Russia to agree to a ban or limitation on further H-bomb tests. If so, it would probably depend upon some control system to guarantee enforcement.

High Administration sources told the United Press that they were working on a proposal that was "brand new" and that, if offered, would go even beyond President Eisenhower's open skies plan.

They said it was being considered by an inter-departmental Committee under Mr Harold Stassen, the President's special adviser for disarmament.

There has been some speculation that Mr Eisenhower may send Mr Stassen to Moscow personally to deliver the new proposal to the Russian leaders.

Officials believed the United States plans would definitely be ready before the United Nations sub-Committee on Disarmament resumed its autumn meetings. - United Press

## WE'LL TALK OUTSIDE UN SAYS EDEN

London, July 12. Sir Anthony Eden, the Prime Minister, suggested today Britain would be prepared to discuss limiting nuclear tests outside a full disarmament agreement.

Answering questions in the House of Commons, he repeated the British Government's preference for disarmament, but said it was "not possible" to regulate the tests "in the context of a comprehensive agreement on disarmament."

But he added: "For our part, however, we should not exclude other methods of discussions acceptable to those concerned."

"In other words we are ready to discuss this matter. We prefer to do it through the Disarmament Commission. If this is impossible and others are ready to go so we are quite willing to discuss it outside." (Eden is planning to test his first H-bomb next year). - Reuter.

## INDIA PLEADS FOR NUCLEAR BAN

New York, July 12.

India today urged the United Nations to ban all further nuclear and atomic tests.

Appealing to the Commission, Mr V. K. Krishna Menon, Minister without portfolio in the Indian cabinet, said: "All the explosions that have already taken place of the weapons already made are adequate to blow this planet to smithereens."

"Therefore, there is no need for further experiments. The experiments are a futile adventure; they have no raison d'etre."

### FIRST STEP

India is not a member of the twelve-nation Commission but has been given special permission to appear before it to press its case for a ban on all further nuclear tests.

Mr Menon argued that the stopping of test explosions would be a first step towards disarmament as well.

"Without experiments it is impossible to develop these weapons," he said.

Suspension of nuclear explosions would "probably build a bridge" whereby the West could, at once, take a step towards nuclear disarmament, added Mr Menon.

He asserted that there was "no rational ground" for continuing these experiments.

Commenting on the concern of the whole world about the effect of radiation from fall-outs from the tests, Mr Menon quoted from the recent British and American scientific reports which have

been made available to the United Nations.

Mr Menon said the report by the British Medical Council was not alarmist, but pointed out that this was an unknown field and that no one could calculate the future for generations to come.

He quoted the report of the U.S. National Academy of Sciences that a progressive increase in the tests would produce enough radiation by 1962 to give everyone in the world the maximum amount of radiation.

The US report also had said that thirteen months after the first Bikini explosion contaminated water had spread over one million square miles of ocean.

"It is quite clear," said Mr Menon, "that the result of a fall-out lasts a very long time and as time goes on it does not die out. It is not extinguished like a fire."

Japan and India were in the midst of these experimental explosions by the Soviet Union and the United States. The winds could not be controlled "even if voted by substantial majorities," Mr Menon observed amid laughter.

### CONTAMINATED FOOD

The Japanese Ministry of Welfare had reported that fruits and vegetables in Japan were radioactive. In India scientists in Calcutta had examined food-stuffs and reported many common vegetables and rice contaminated.

Two per cent of the children born in the world were already affected by normal radiation, Mr Menon observed, adding: "Add a little more and see what happens."

Then he drew attention to the effects of radioactivity which international scientists have agreed is probably the greatest hazard from fall-outs, Strontium 90 attacks the bone tissue causing tumours. It falls on vegetation, is picked up by cows and can be transmitted to human beings through cows' milk.

Mr Menon commented that one ounce of radiostrontium contained the equivalent of "maximum permissible" amount for every person on earth. A serious strontium hazard existed within the area of the local fall-out, he said.

Radiation was "a continuing and increasing evil," Mr Menon declared. - Reuter.

## AMERICAN GARRISON IS ASKED TO QUIT GERMAN TOWN: SEQUEL TO ASSAULT CASE

Bamberg, July 13. The town of Bamberg, where seven American soldiers have been charged with an offence against a German girl of 15, has demanded the removal of the American garrison, the Burgomaster, Herr Herbert Becherer, told Reuter early today.

The Town Council last night decided unanimously to ask the West German Government to take steps on its behalf to get the Americans out and replace them with a garrison of the new West German army.

The Burgomaster was unable to give the text of the resolution passed by the council, but confirmed that the reason for it was "the recent crop of incidents with the Americans here. 'It has nothing political behind it,' he said. 'This is just something we have to do to protect the citizens and to bring back law and order in the town.'"

"The American-German committee for friendly relations has not - how shall I put it - been working too well lately."

The local American military commander was informed of the decision.

To back its demand, the Council issued a declaration that 43 incidents involving American troops during the last few months, topped by the offences against the 15-year-old girl two days ago, had created a situation "which cannot be outdone for grossness and brutality."

It asked the American commander to prevent the recurrence of such incidents "until our demand (to move the garrison from Bamberg) is fulfilled."

Among the steps the Council announced it was taking "for the protection of the citizens" were: Placing the local swimming pool out of bounds to American troops, as United States soldiers had repeatedly committed offences there;

Threatening all innkeepers of the town with withdrawal of their licenses if they sold alcohol to drunken soldiers; And ordering motorised police to patrol the suburbs during hours of darkness. - Reuter.

## CONSPIRACY AND CORRUPTION CHARGES

## Four Europeans Remanded

Four Europeans - two civil servants and two company directors - accused of conspiracy and corruption were remanded for a further week by Mr Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning.

The defendants are William Allan Hogarth, chartered accountant, of 611 The Peak; Henry Charles Patterson, 45, of 10 Victoria Peak Apartments; John Patterson Whitefield, 54, Superintendent of Lighthouses, Marine Department, residing at Albany Place; and William Murray Keay, 54, Superintendent of Mines, residing at 7 Kimberley Street, second floor.

All four defendants are alleged to have conspired together on divers dates between March 3, and June 4 this year "to enable the said William Murray Keay, then employed as Superintendent of Mines by the Government of Hongkong, to receive a bribe for his showing favour in the discharge of his official function to a syndicate known as the Bohespie Syndicate, of which the said William Allan Hogarth, Henry Charles Patterson and John Patterson Whitefield, were members."

### Additional Charge

Keay is additionally charged with corruptly receiving the sum of \$25,000 on June 4 as a reward for showing favour to the Bohespie Syndicate "in relation to the granting of an issue to the said syndicate of certain purposes licence and the subsequent transfer of the said purported licence to the Mountain Lead Mines Company, Ltd, a matter in the Mines Division of the Labour Department of the Hongkong Government."

When the case first came up for remand a week ago, Mr P. A. L. Vinc, of Deacons, appeared for Hogarth, Mr J. C. Stewart, of Stewart and Co., represented the second and third defendants, while Mr P. D. Hammond, of Johnson, Stokes and Master, represented Keay.

This morning, Mr Stewart said he also now acted for first defendant in place of Mr Vinc, in addition to representing Patterson and Whitefield.

### No Pleas Taken

Mr T. Kavanagh, Assistant Superintendent of Police (Anti-Corruption branch), who appeared for the Prosecution together with Det. Sub-Inspector W. P. MacMahon, told the Court he had been requested to ask for a further seven days' remand, with bail in the sum of \$300 was allowed in respect of each defendant, providing they surrendered their passports to the Police.

The application was granted. No pleas were taken.

## Killed By Mine

Gaza, July 12. Egyptian Lieutenant-Colonel Mustafa Hafez, chief of the Fedayeen (Commandos) was killed last night by a mine explosion, it was learned today.

His funeral procession was followed by thousands of people from Gaza to El Aish, 10 miles away, where the body was sent to Cairo by plane. - France Press.

## Alleged Immigration Racketeer In Court 'CHINESE WANTED 3 OR 4 WIVES'

San Francisco, July 12.

William W. Fong, prominent San Francisco businessman, once told his wife that he should have "three or four wives" around the house, according to the testimony of an Immigration Department special agent.

Fong, 49, his wife Helen 37, and their former attorney, Robert L. Levy 58, are on trial in Federal Court for conspiracy to violate immigration laws.

Agent William Moore, on the stand for the second day yesterday, said "Fong told me that he told his wife he wanted to bring the woman (Helen) into the country as his no. 2 wife."

In cross examination, Fong's attorney, James Davis, sought to establish that Fong was joking when he told Moore about the three or four wives.

Fong's first wife, Geo. King Ip, 49, was not permitted by the court to testify regarding the conversation on the grounds it would be breaking a marital confidence.

However, she testified through an interpreter that she had discovered a letter from Helen, then in Hongkong, asking for money and clothes and requesting that Fong make arrangements for her to come to the United States.

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The three defendants were charged in connection with an extensive "immigration brokerage" racket which funnelled alien Chinese through Hongkong to San Francisco.

For a price ranging up to \$5,000, aliens were allegedly given false identities which purported to give them family ties with US citizens, thereby circumventing the immigration laws. - United Press.

## ALBATROSS SAVED SEAMAN'S LIFE

Sydney, July 12.

An English seaman who fell overboard from the liner Southern Cross owes his life to an albatross which landed on his chest and guided a searching lifeboat to the rescue.

Seaman John Oakley, 53, of Southampton, fell from the stern of the 20,204-ton Shaw Savill liner when she was 10 miles off the New South Wales coast en route to Sydney from Britain.

A small boy, who was a passenger, saw Oakley fall and alerted the deck officer. The ship turned about and a lifeboat was lowered.

A flock of screeching seagulls was seen about a mile astern and the boat headed in that direction. Oakley was obscured by waves until the albatross landed on his chest and served as a beacon to the rescuers.

He was taken aboard again and rushed to hospital when the liner reached Sydney. - China Mail Special.

## HK Seaman's "I Spied" Confession

Taipei, July 12.

A Chinese sailor, reported to be a member of a Chinese Communist seaman's union sailing aboard a British owned vessel between Hongkong and the northern port city of Keelung, today sought asylum in Formosa.

The seaman, Wang Fu-kang, left his ship yesterday and applied for political asylum with the local authorities. His ship, the ss Yunnan, left for Hongkong yesterday.

The 43-year-old seaman said he refused to return to the mainland because he was "fed up" with Communist rule.

Wang, whose family is still in China, also said he spied on fellow sailors aboard the ss Yunnan for the Communists when the ship was sailing between Hongkong and mainland ports six months ago, according to authoritative sources. - United Press.

## RN, RAF Men Are 'Axed'

From CHAPMAN PINCHER

London, July 13. The Admiralty is to sack 3,300 civil servants and about 10,000 industrial workers to save the \$11 million demanded by the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr Harold Macmillan.

This represents a cut of about 10 percent of the Navy's civilian staff.

The Air Ministry, which has to save £8,750,000 is to sack about 2,000 civil servants - also a 10 percent cut - and an unspecified number of industrial workers.

The War Office has decided that the £17 million it must save will come mainly from cuts in stores, rather than staff.

### ORDERS GO OUT

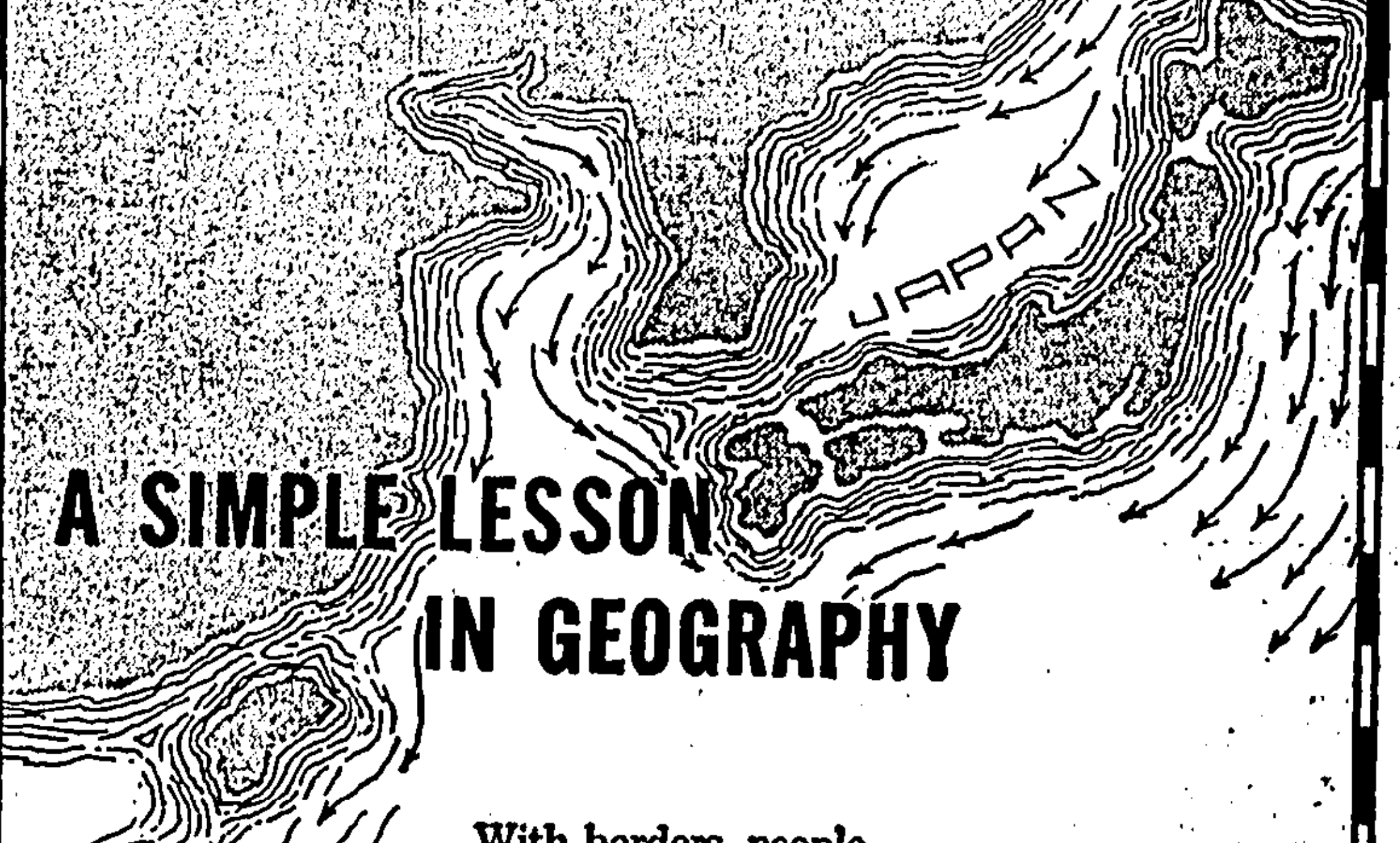
Sir John Lang, the Admiralty's chief civil servant, was ordered to make the cuts three days ago. The axe will fall mainly on shore based establishments, particularly as far as industrial workers are concerned in the dockyards.

But the scientists, clerks, typists and executive civil servants will be involved too. Most of the sackings must be made in the next nine months and many within the next four months. - London Express Service.

## Dutch Queen Offered Eyes


The Hague, July 12. The Dutch Government Information Service said today Queen Juliana was receiving letters from all over the world, offering to donate eyes to her, partially blind daughter, the nine-year-old Princess Marjken. The Government Information Service said the offers of eye donations had "touched" the Royal family but that transplantation was impossible.

It was possible to transplant the cornea, the Government statement said, but this would not help the Princess much because she was born with impaired lenses. - United Press.



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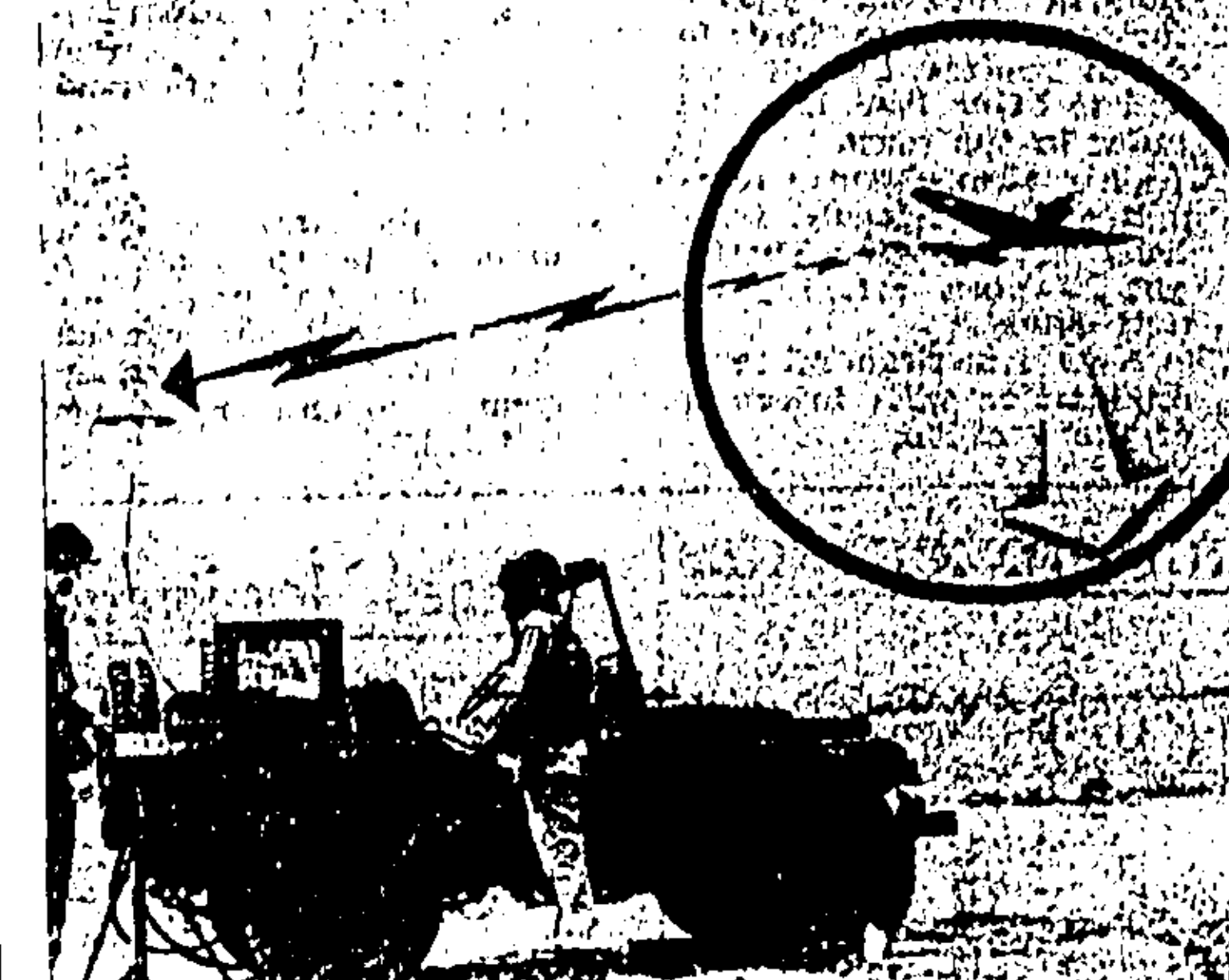
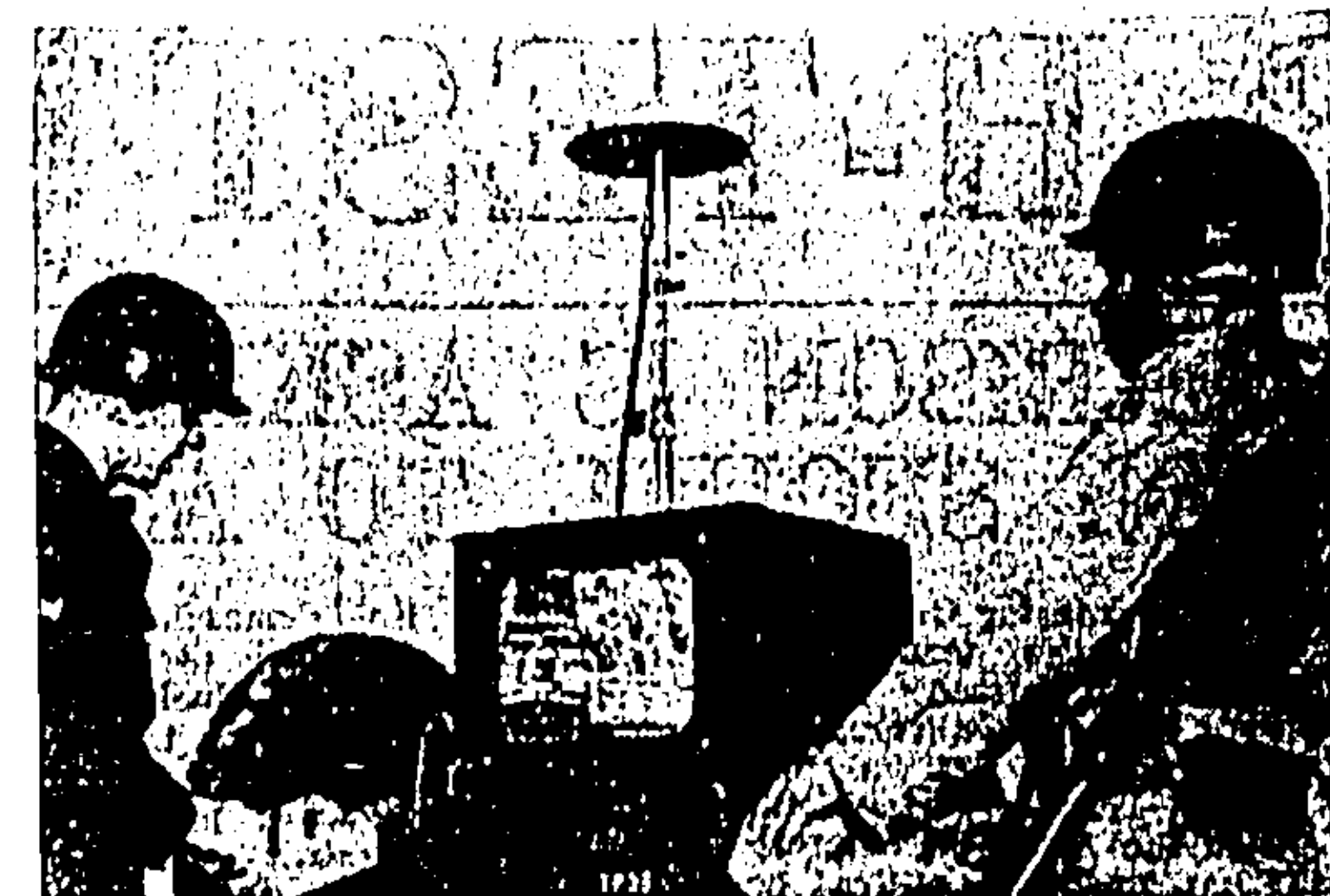
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The USA has developed a television robot plane that can be operated by remote control from a maximum distance of 40 miles. The unmanned aircraft sends back aerial views of distant sights by means of light TV equipment. Picture top shows two soldiers operating respectively the plane's ground remote control box and the levers that aim and focus the aerial camera. The plane itself can be seen circled at bottom.—Express Photo.

## Jews Threatened With Extinction In Soviet Russia

New York, July 12.

Judaism in Russia is "seriously threatened with extinction" despite a recent relaxation of the fears among the Soviet Union's Jewish citizens, a group of American rabbis who have just returned from a Soviet visit said today.

The delegation of the New York Board of Rabbis, who spent more than a week in Moscow, Leningrad, Kiev and Warsaw, returned to New York by plane today. They were led by Rabbi Morris Kertzer, secretary, and Rabbi David Golovinski, vice-president of the Board. "What we have seen and heard leads us to the melancholy conclusion that Judaism in Russia is seriously threatened with extinction," the leaders of the group told a press conference.

### Losing Battle

"The core of devout Jews... is waging a losing battle against Communism's fundamental hostility to religion. While the Soviet regime speaks of religious freedom and has, in fact, somewhat relaxed some of its restrictive measures, its policies continue to restrict and stifle Jewish life," they said.

They noted, however, that already the fact that they were able to meet people in parks or in the streets—though not in their homes—was an indication that "the fate of Jews were far more secure a year and a half ago... many said that had we come two years ago they would not have felt free to talk to us."

This, the rabbis said, made them "hopeful that this is the beginning of a trend that will ultimately make for justice for our co-religionists and help... of the restoration and perpetuation of Jewish life" in Russia.

The delegation noted that there was more religious and cultural freedom among the 30,000 Jews left in Poland in comparison with the estimated 3,000,000 Soviet Jews.

### Less Secure

They said this "substantial difference," which they said also applied to the other Eastern European satellites, was perhaps the result of the fact that the government of Poland "feels less secure and wants the friendship of the population."

While the small number of Polish Jews had their synagogues, religious schools and newspapers, those in Russia had no publication of their own, no religious training schools for youth, no Jewish cultural or

social institutions, no religious literature, the rabbis said. "In Leningrad... we found only one synagogue where formerly there had been sixteen," they said.

In Moscow, with a Jewish community of 300,000, there was only one synagogue and two auxiliary houses of worship. There was no mention in the Soviet newspapers of the American rabbis' visit, but word spread in the community and wherever the rabbis prayed the synagogues were filled to capacity, they said.

### Hope Expressed

They said no new prayer books had been published under the Soviet regime, "the few prayer books in use are torn in shreds." The rabbis offered to send prayer books from the United States and also expressed the hope that a delegation of Russian rabbis would be permitted to visit the United States and other countries.—United Press.

### Prisoner Steals On Way To Prison

Madrid, July 12. Police found a stolen suitcase in the person of a prisoner travelling under escort by train from Coruna to Burgos had stolen the suitcase from a woman passenger on the train, Senora Ramona Perez, and took it with him when the group left the train to spend the night in Palencia Prison.

Senora Perez went to the prison and identified her suitcase, which contained articles worth 4,000 pesetas (£40)—China Mail Special.

Washington, July 12.  
Mr John Foster Dulles, Secretary of State and Admiral Arthur Radford, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, today appealed to the Senate Appropriations Committee to add more than 400 million dollars to foreign aid funds voted by the House of Representatives yesterday.

## Nasser Asked To Liberate Prisoners

London, July 12.

About 30 Members of Parliament, church leaders and trade unionists have appealed to President Gamal Abdel Nasser of Egypt to grant a general amnesty to political prisoners arrested following the coup d'etat against King Farouk.

The appeal, headed by a clergyman, the Rev. Stanley Evans, and a Member of Parliament, Mr. Fanner Brockway, asked Colonel Nasser "for a complete liberation of all the political prisoners in your country."

The appeal said the signatories were "profoundly convinced that nothing but good would come out of such a step, which would bring profound joy to all the peace lovers of Egypt."

The appeal said: "We who now write to you are Christian clergy who rejoice that at long last Egypt has secured its independence from foreign rule. "We see Egypt as a country which has made a great contribution to the world culture and development and which she will do again. "We are therefore anxious that nothing should now spoil the good name of Egypt in the eyes of the world. And it is for this reason that in the name of mercy we join with others (in asking) for a complete liberation of all the political prisoners in your country."—United Press.

## Englishman In 'Comedie Francaise'

Paris, July 12.

Twenty-five-year-old Michael Garland next week will become the first Englishman ever to be accepted into the famed "Comedie Francaise" French national theatre.

Garland, as a foreigner, will not become a "societaire" (participating member) of the Comedie, but a "Pensionnaire" (associate member). Only French citizens can become "societaires", who share in the company's profits.

Garland, who was born in Amiens, France, has appeared in the "Electre" of Jean Giraudoux, "Le Bal Des Volcans" (The Thieves Ball) of Jean Anouilh, and other plays in the French language. He was accepted into the Comedie as one of four winners of a nationwide contest organised by the company.

Other foreigners have been accepted into the Comedie, but most have been French-speaking (Belgian or Swiss). The Comedie, the oldest of French theatre companies, was made a national theatre by Napoleon Bonaparte in an order sent from Moscow in 1812, and known as the "Moscow Decree."—France-Press.

Mr Dulles at a closed meeting of the Senate committee, asked that the appropriation of 3,000 million dollars voted by the House be increased to 4,014 million dollars—the amount of an authorization bill previously passed by both Houses.

Action on bills like this is in two stages—the first authorizing the spending of money, and the second the actual appropriation of the money. The Senate has not yet acted on appropriating. Admiral Radford backed up Mr Dulles' appeal in a later meeting with the Senate.

### Create Disaster

Mr Dulles said that if the House cuts in foreign aid appropriations were allowed to stand, it might create "disaster" for the non-Communist world, according to a summary of his testimony released later.

Admiral Radford told the committee the cuts were so severe that it would take months to draw up a new military assistance programme, "involve serious jeopardy to our security position and might well lead to a further weakening of the defence efforts of our allies."—Reuter.

## SOVIET UNESCO COUNCIL BID FAILS

Paris, July 12.

The Executive Council of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation, meeting in Paris, today rejected motions to allow North Korea, North Vietnam, East Germany, Outer Mongolia and China to send observers to the UNESCO General Conference to be held in New Delhi in November.

The USSR voted in favour of all the motions except the one relating to China. Explaining his abstention on the vote concerning China, the Soviet representative, Vladimir Kozlov, declared that China deserved "more than the right to send an observer to New Delhi and ought to be a full-fledged member of UNESCO."

He added that the Soviet Union believes that all countries who are not yet members of UNESCO and who do not belong to the United Nations have the right to participate in the New Delhi conference as "modest observers."

The Executive Council unanimously approved a motion to allow Morocco to send an observer to the New Delhi conference, without prejudice to Morocco's request for full membership in UNESCO.—France-Press.

## Parachute Record

Paris, July 12.

A young Polish parachute jumper, Bohdan Smid, has set up a new world record for a night jump on to a designated landing place, the Polish news agency, PAP, reported tonight. Smid, jumped from 1,000 metres near Lodz and landed first time 12.09 metres from the fixed point and in a second jump at 10.89 metres from the point. The previous record for a night jump on to a designated landing place was held by the Soviet parachutist George Vitalin.—France-Press.

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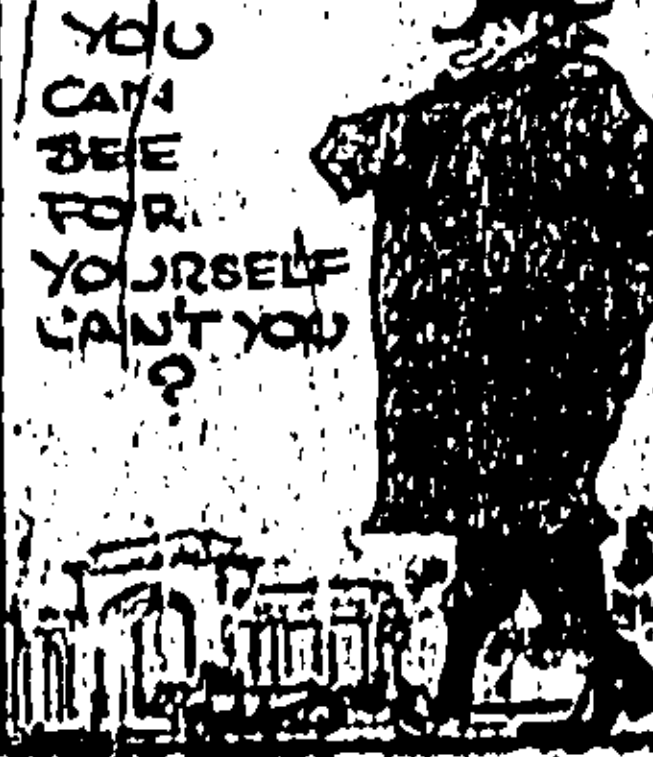
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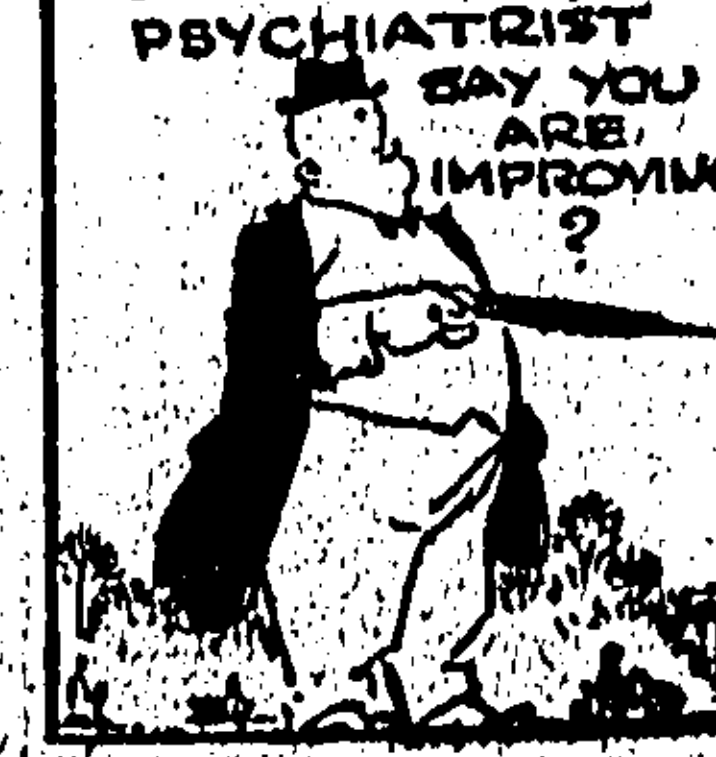
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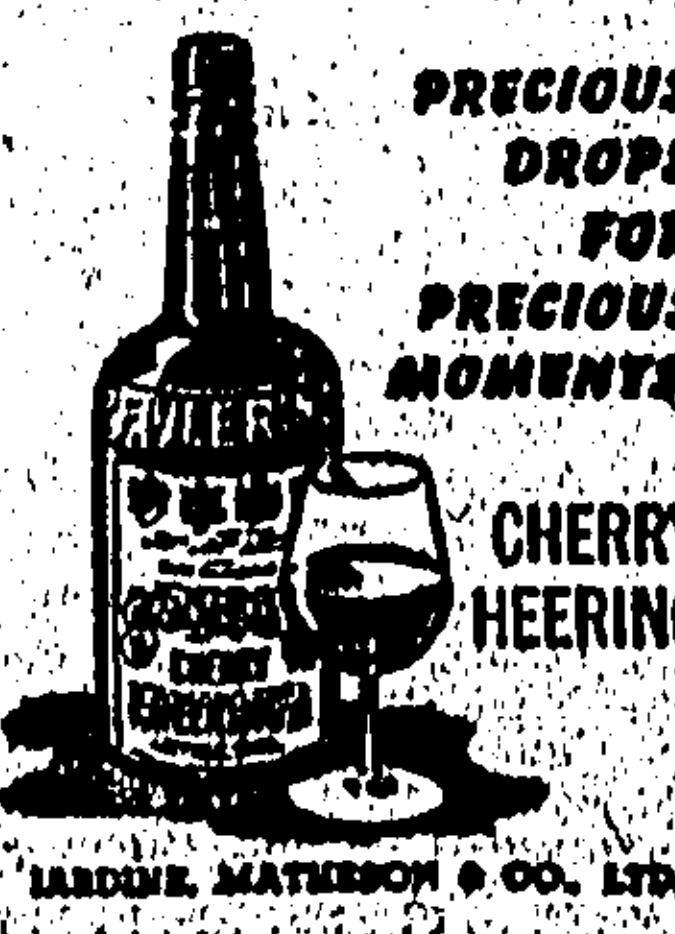
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# Indonesian Premier Defends

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## Neutralism RIGHT TO DECIDE FOREIGN POLICY AND FRIENDS

Djakarta, July 12.

Prime Minister Ali Sastroamidjojo today defended Indonesia's "moral" right to a foreign policy of co-existence and no military alliances in answer to US Vice-President Richard M. Nixon's critical attack on neutralism.

But the Indonesian leader's statement was mild and more of an explanation than an assault on Nixon's July Fourth speech in Manila.

Sastroamidjojo praised Nixon's statement that "might does not make right" and that America would respect the friendship of nations even though they did not belong to military or political alliances.

### Erase Misunderstanding

The Prime Minister then said he wanted to "erase misunderstanding or confusion" about Indonesia's international position.

He said after President Soekarno's visit to North America and Europe, the West began to "appraise" neutralism and now there was a "valued recognition of the rightness of nations to stick to their active and independent foreign policy."

"We are not neutral in terms of ideology," Sastroamidjojo said, "Indonesia believes in the Pancasila (nationalism, humanism, justice and belief in God)."

He linked the principles of the Indonesian state with the Asian-African spirit as the "principle for international relations which if enforced will leave a shining example of the will for peaceful co-existence irrespective of differences of political systems."

### End In War

He explained that nations with parliamentary and democratic systems in the past had been "no guarantee for sympathy or loss of their monopoly or dominating influence in former colonialist countries."

In attacking military alliances, he said "it is clear by now that a race of armaments will end in war."

"To align free peoples under a banner of liberty, peace and prosperity is a bigger force than merely providing soldiers by some nations even at the expense of economic reconstruction," the Prime Minister said.

All Sastroamidjojo summarised the factors which caused Indonesia to adopt its "active, independent" foreign policy:

1. "The achievement of national independence and the current growth toward emancipation in social and economic fields."

2. "Prevalence of foreign economic domination in Indonesia."

### If Required

3. "The desire to establish 'our identity in the world'."

4. "Changes of peace would be increased if military alliances were transformed into organizations for closer economic co-operation and technical assistance if required."—United Press.

## Nationalist Army Getting Air Force

Taipei, July 12.

The Nationalist Chinese army will soon have its own air force, it was learned today.

The army's air force will come into being on July 16 with the transfer to army headquarters by the American military advisory group of two L-9 liaison planes, according to reliable sources.

The sources said that more light planes will be transferred to the Chinese army in the future.

All planes connected with the Nationalist army thus far have been operated by the Nationalist Air Force.

A spokesman of the Ministry of Defense confirmed the scheduled transfer of the two liaison planes but declined to give further details.—United Press.



LOOK—two feet on one water ski! And the carefree smile of Patti Morgan, on tow behind a speedboat at Ruislip Lido, Middlesex, shows that this is fun when you're an expert. Patti represents Britain in international water-skiing contests. In private life she is Mrs Victor Silvester, Jr., daughter-in-law of the band leader. — (Reuterphoto).

## America Not Interfering In Algerian Dispute

Washington, July 12.

Assistant Secretary of State for Near Eastern Affairs, George Allen, told the Baghdad Pact ambassadors this week that the U.S. is not using its good offices to end hostilities in Algeria as it is confident France will find a solution there.

He gave this information at the monthly meeting of the pact's ambassadors which took place at the British Embassy on Monday.

He also reiterated that the United States does not intend to join the Baghdad Pact at present. Secretary of State John Foster Dulles said the same today.

### Allen Queried

Reliable sources said Allen was queried on this in view of recent press reports that the United States might join the pact after the November elections.

They said Allen explained that United States membership of the pact would necessitate approval by the Senate and said the United States was fully collaborating in the pact committees such as the economic and anti-subversion ones.

Allen is reported to have said that the US hoped shortly to

## Soviet Debate On Pension Legislation

Moscow, July 12.

The Council of Nationalities, upper house of the Supreme Soviet, today met in the Kremlin to discuss the Government's draft pensions bill.

It was the first time—with the exception of the budget—that a debate had been held in the Supreme Soviet on a government bill.

Deputies proposed amendments and criticized minor points in the Government's proposal as outlined yesterday by Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, the Prime Minister.

Discussion was no more lively than in normal budget debates. All the speakers warmly welcomed the pension bill as a whole.

But the criticisms which were made were seen by observers as the first signs in a widening of deputies' rights in the current, post-Stalin, "democratization" campaign.

### MEET AGAIN

The Supreme Soviet will meet again tomorrow to continue the pensions debate.

The Council of the Union—lower house of the Supreme Soviet—met this afternoon for a four-hour session during which delegates held a debate on the pensions bill, similar to the cordial discussion in the Council of Nationalities.

The session was attended briefly by Mr. Khrushchev, Marshal Bulganin, President Klement Voroshilov, Mr. Georgi Malenkov, Mr. Vyacheslav Molotov, Marshal Georg Zhukov and other government leaders.—Reuter.

## Chinese Delegation In Paris

Paris, July 12.

The Chinese Communist cultural delegation that has been in France for the past month, will be received tomorrow by former Premier, Pierre Mendes-France, Mr Chi Chaoting, Vice-President of the delegation, said today.

The delegation was received on July 9 by the Foreign Minister, Christian Pineau, in an extremely cordial manner. Chi said. The delegation has visited many parts of France and talked to industrialists, under the auspices of the "French National Committee for Exchanges with the Far East." It will soon leave on the return trip to China, the Vice-President said.

### CULTURAL

Chi said the aim of the delegation's visit had been strictly cultural and economic. He said: "We had a general view of French activity in the technical, cultural and pedagogical fields, which makes us desire more than ever that friendly relations be established between our two nations."

Chi added: "China, which is rich from a long cultural tradition, appreciates the value of France in this field. China needs the aid of France to enrich its new civilisation, based on the best ancient traditions, for the struggle it has undertaken against illiteracy, and for its scholastic effort."

During their visit here, the Chinese delegation signed numerous contracts with private French firms.—France-Press.

## MORE FREEDOM IN RUSSIA WOULD HELP

Munich, July 12.

Mr Morgan Phillips, Secretary of the British Labour Party, said here today that international problems could be solved more easily if the Soviet regime was "slowly forced to make bigger concessions" towards personal freedom.

Mr Phillips, who is also chairman of the Socialist International, was speaking in German as a guest delegate at the conference of the West German Democratic Party here. He was several times interrupted by loud applause.

He said that for the first time in the Soviet Union there was new criticism, questions were asked, and urged towards democracy had appeared. Many Communist leaders were fighting these tendencies.

### Spirit Attacked

"If the Soviet regime is slowly forced to make bigger concessions, then the first important steps will have been taken, steps which lead towards personal freedom," he said. "Then there will arise an international climate in which problems can more easily be solved."

Mr Phillips said West European Socialist parties recognised highly the attack made by the West German Party on the "militarist spirit." He added that "the break with the past was

## Japan Has Right To Try 3 US Marines

Washington, July 12.

The US Court of Appeals ruled today that Japan has the right to try three US marines in its courts.

The court held that the United States has jurisdiction over military personnel stationed in a foreign country only when that country has ceded jurisdiction.

Under an international agreement, Japan in general is given the right to try Americans in the armed forces for crimes against the civilian population. In general, the United States, under the agreement, retains jurisdiction in cases involving military offences and crimes committed on American bases.

### Upheld

The court upheld the dismissal by Judge Joseph C. McCorraghy last February of a petition for a writ of habeas corpus filed on behalf of the three marines.

The marines are: Sergeant Reice Cozart, Private Mack Makurenko and Corporal Gerald Garmait.

Lawyers for the three marines argued US servicemen stationed in a foreign country are immune from prosecution in foreign courts and that only some overriding authority such as a treaty could destroy that immunity.

Since the specific pact giving Japan the right to try Americans in its courts is only an executive agreement (made by the President alone) the lawyers claimed that it was a violation of the constitution.

### Do Not Apply

Lawyers for the US Government argued that the crimes of which the three Americans are accused were "off-duty acts strictly against the population of Japan and subject to the jurisdiction of the Japanese courts both under international law and under the treaties and agreements involved."

The Court of Appeals did not mention either the mutual security treaty between the United States and Japan or the executive agreement. Instead it pointed to principles of international law under which each nation has jurisdiction of the offences committed within its territory.

It added, however, that discussions of courts in earlier cases suggested that these principles do not apply to members of the armed force.

### Ceded Jurisdiction

It said these comments are now entitled to no weight because of the Supreme Court decision in the case of Mrs Dorothy Kuwager Smith. The Supreme Court upheld the murder conviction of Mrs Smith by a United States court martial in Japan but did so on the ground that Japan, at the time of the offence, had ceded to the United States jurisdiction of such offences.

Since Japan had not ceded jurisdiction of the offences of which the marines are accused, the court said, Japan has jurisdiction to try them.

Mrs Smith, daughter of the Second World War General Walter Krueger, received a life sentence for killing her husband, Colonel Anthony Smith, with a hunting knife.

### Dissatisfied

Court is waiting trial by a Japanese court on charge of causing a death by negligent operation of a car.

The other two marines have been convicted by a Japanese court of rape, but are to be retried, as permitted by Japanese law, because the prosecution was dissatisfied with the suspended sentence which was imposed.—Reuter.

## French Build Submarine

Paris, July 12.

The first French submarine constructed since the war, the Narval, yesterday underwent its first deep sea immersion and underwater speed trials, the French Naval Ministry announced today.

The trials took place in the presence of representatives of the permanent French commission and of the high command and members of the technical services for the construction of naval arms.

The Naval Ministry said the results obtained in the trials surpassed any previous performance by French submarines and were comparable to those of the most modern submarines of any foreign power.—France-Press.

## Communists Coordinating A-Programme

London, July 12.

Russia and the other members of the Communist bloc have agreed to set up a joint institute of nuclear research to co-ordinate their atomic programme, Moscow radio said today.

A Moscow radio broadcast mentioned here said 11 nations—Albania, Bulgaria, Hungary, East Germany, China, North Korea, Outer Mongolia, Poland, Rumania, Russia and Czechoslovakia—would be included in the agreement.

The broadcast gave details of the agreement, signed in Moscow on March 26, for the first time. It made no mention of whether the projected nuclear research institute, to be set up in the Kalinin region of the Soviet Union, would concentrate on peaceful uses of atomic energy or whether A-bomb and H-bomb research would also be conducted there.

### HAND OVER

Installations currently belonging to the nuclear problems institute and electro-physics laboratory are to be handed over to the new joint nuclear research institute, the broadcast said. And the following installations are to be built in addition to supplement the institute's work:

1. A theoretical physics laboratory, with a calculating department and an electronic computing machine.
2. A laboratory of neutron physics including an experimental nuclear reactor with a high neutron current density.
3. A cyclotron for accelerating multi-charged turnout of various elements and for experiments with them.

Cost of the building of the new projects and of the research work to be carried out in them will be shared on a scale worked out by mutual agreement, the broadcast said.

### OTHER STATES

The scale provides for Russia to provide 47.25 of the total revenue, China 20 per cent, and the remaining nations various sums ranging from 0.75 for Poland and East Germany to 0.75 for Albania and North Korea.

The broadcast said that "other states" wishing to participate in the nuclear agreement could become members if a majority of the other members voted for their inclusion. It said the only condition for membership was willingness of observing the charter of the institute, and to agree to share nuclear information with other members.

The new institute takes over two installations already working under the Soviet Union's nuclear power programme. They are a nuclear research laboratory with a proton energy of 880 mega-electronvolts, and a high energy physics laboratory with a planned proton energy of 10,000 mega-electronvolts, imposed.—Reuter.

### UNDER CONSTRUCTION

The latter is still under construction, the broadcast said. The charter of the new research institute provides for the setting up of a scientific council to direct its work. The council, under a director-general—who will be a Russian for the first three years—will report on progress to the governments of the member nations regularly.—United Press.

## Youths Released

Berlin, July 12.

The East German authorities today set free 13 East German youths who had been arrested or "imprisoned on espionage charges."

The youths, aged between 19 and 25, were released at a public "citizens' meeting." The official reason given for their release was "that their acts did not directly endanger the security of the state."—Frankfurter Allgemeine.

### JUMP AHEAD

Melbourne, July 12: Stanley Smith, a Melbourne hotel proprietor, today placed an order for 1,000 kangaroo tails to be used in making soup especially for overseas visitors who attend the Olympic Games this year.—United Press.

## NASSER VISITS TITO

Belgrade, July 12.

President Gamal Abdel Nasser of Egypt and members of his party arrived here this afternoon on an eight-day state visit to Yugoslavia.

Nasser was welcomed at the airport near Belgrade by President Tito and other Yugoslav leaders.

Marshal Tito introduced Nasser to the other Yugoslav leaders present at the airport.

They included Mr. Mosa Pijade, President of the Yugoslav National Assembly, Vice-Presidents Edvard Kardelj, Alexander Rankovic, and Svetozar Vukmanovic, and Colonel-General Koca Popovic, Foreign Minister.

### BOTH FLAGS

The airport was decorated with Yugoslav and Egyptian flags, and a band played the national anthems of both countries, after which Nasser inspected a guard of honour.

In Nasser's party were: Dr. Mahmoud Fawzi, Egyptian Foreign Minister, Mr. Abdel Latif Boghadi, Minister for Commercial Affairs, and Wing Commander Aly Sabry, Minister of State.

The Egyptian President who is on his first official visit to Europe will stay three days in Belgrade and then tour the provinces.

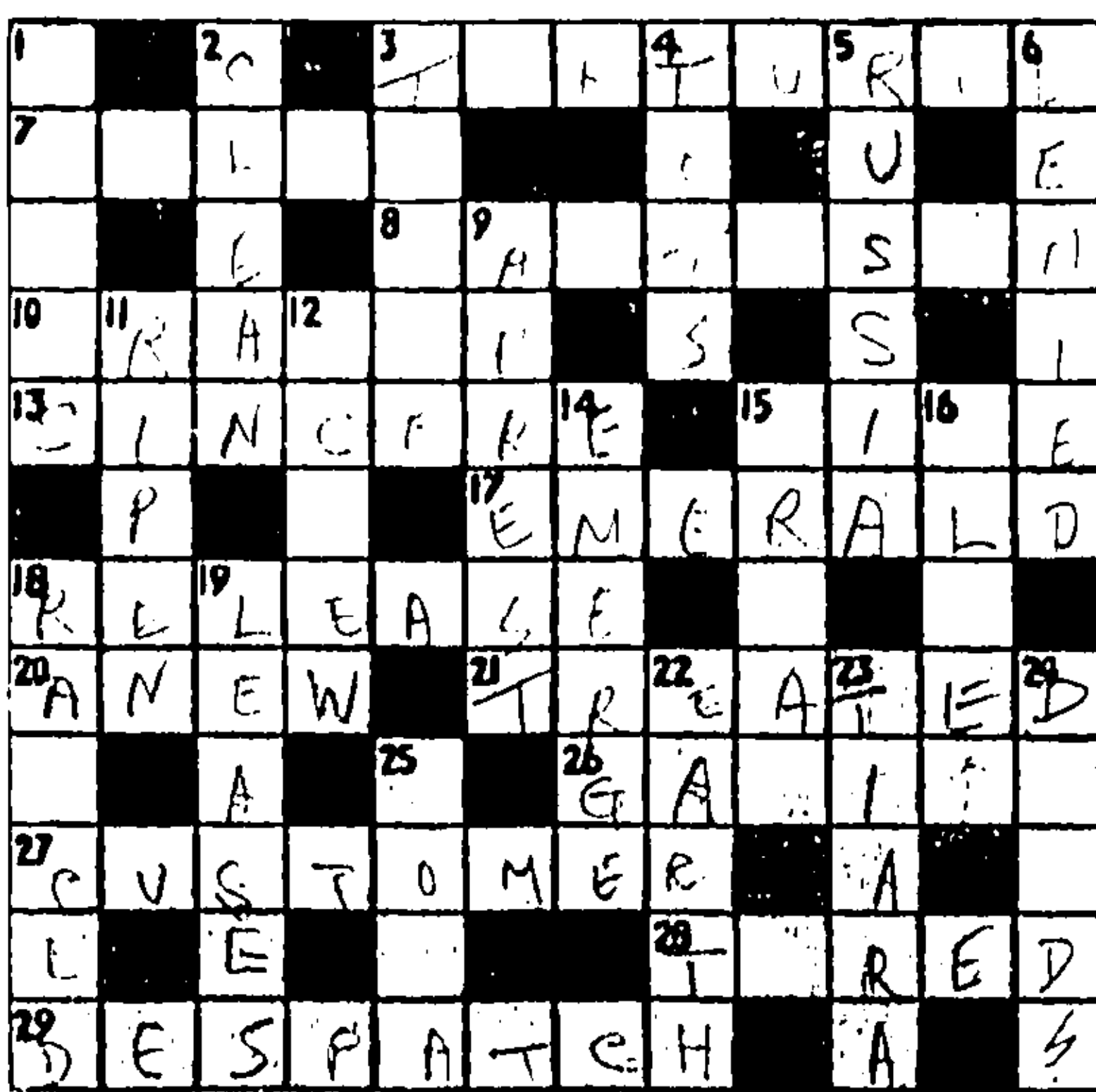
Next Wednesday both he and Marshal Tito will meet the Yugoslav Prime Minister, Mr. Josip Broz Tito, on the island of Brioni, Marshal Tito's summer residence in the Northern Adriatic.

### FRIENDSHIP

Nasser said on arrival at the airport that his visit was "a manifestation of the bonds of friendship between Yugoslavia and Egypt."

He said Egyptians had always followed "a just, honest and sympathetic" policy in the struggle of the Yugoslav people for the liberation of their country, and their intensive efforts in economic and social reconstruction.—Reuter.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



ACROSS  
3 Tormented (6).  
7 Broadside (6).  
8 Member of a resistance movement (6).  
10 India-rubber (6).  
13 Earnest (7).  
15 Cubes (4).  
17 Precious stone (7).  
18 Liberate (7).  
20 Afrash (4).  
21 Entertained (7).  
26 Gaudy (6).  
27 Client (6).  
28 Hurdled (6).  
29 Send off (6).

DOWN  
1 Beasts of burden (5).  
2 Free from dirt (5).  
3 Sun helmet (5).  
4 Little children (4).  
5 East-European country (6).  
6 Declared untrue (6).  
9 Stop (6).  
11 Become mature (5).  
12 Poor home (5).  
14 Come out (6).  
15 Dismal (6).  
16 Helpful facts (6).  
18 Patria (6).  
19 Lets (6).  
22 Soil (6).  
23 Dishes (5).  
24 Arab vessels (5).  
25 Stupid (4).

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD: Across: 1 Muslim, 3 Royal, 8 Caged, 9 Garter, 10 Timid, 11 Digit, 12 Omic, 13 Roast, 15 Regal, 18 Hauled, 20 Aisle, 22 Scan, 23 Remit, 25 Grime, 26 Choose, 27 Angle, 28 Means, 29 Enters. Down: 1 Magnolia, 3 Straight, 4 Leaf, 4 Marital, 5 Redhead, 6 Editor, 7 Thunder, 10 Turbine, 17 Vehicle, 19 Alman, 21 Gyron, 24 Tame.



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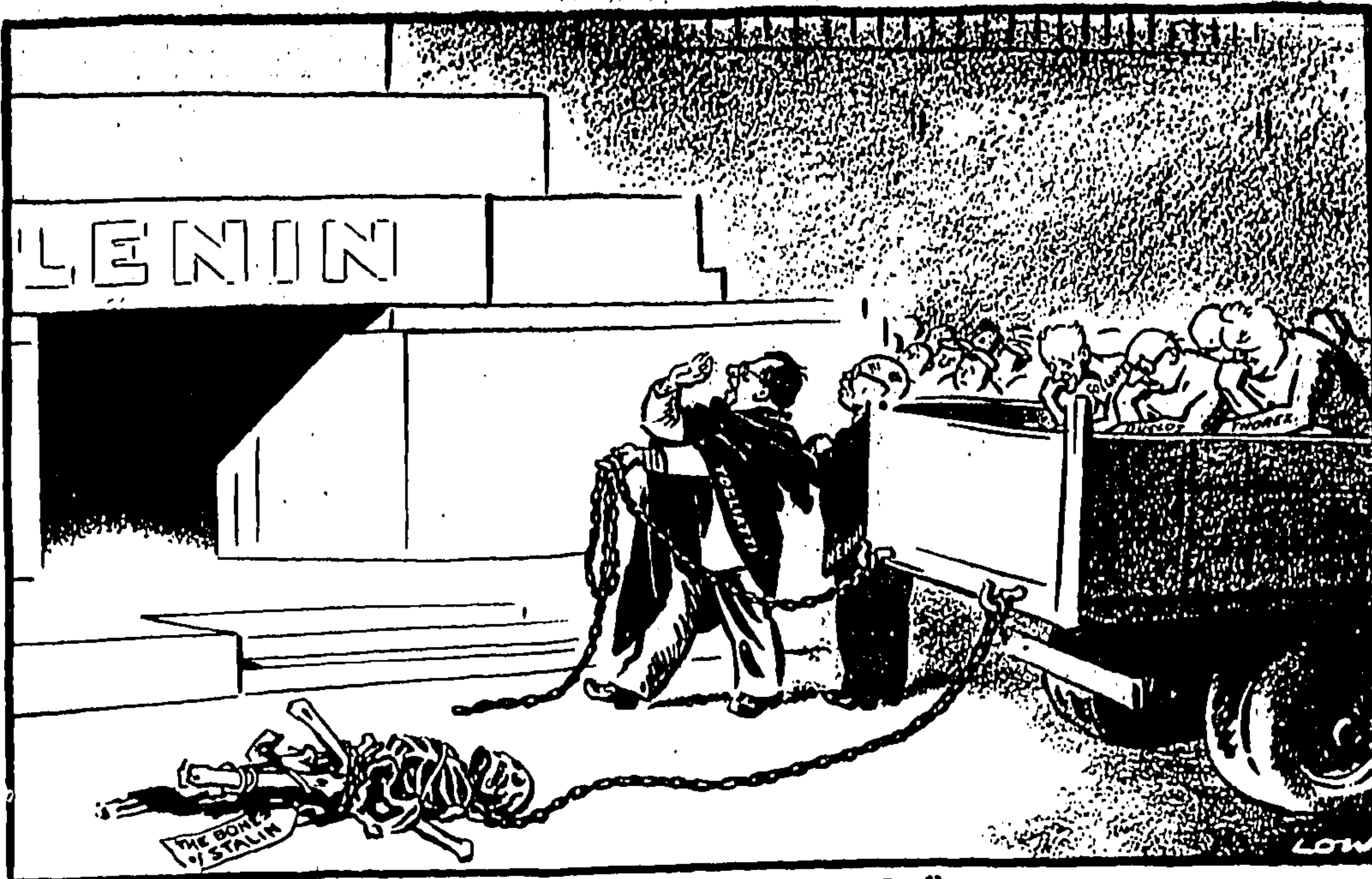
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## MISS KERR IS READY FOR MARLON

*'I shall have to convert  
him to normalcy, shan't I?'*

DEBORAH KERR has moved up into the Brando class. The English girl with the Duchess personality has been given Brando, of the waterfront charm, as her leading man in her next film, "Heaven Knows Mr Allison."

Directing her will be John Huston.

Both these brilliant men are known to be moody, eccentric, unconventional, difficult, and savage perfectionists. It is the ambition of every actress to work with either or both. They expect to . . . and usually do . . . suffer for their art.

Miss Kerr's new role brings her full circle. She plays a nun. Brando is a marine. They have a strictly emotional relationship. "It is the sort of relationship there was between Bogart and Hepburn in 'The African Queen,'" says Miss Kerr.

How has this extremely tricky subject been transferred to the screen? Said Miss Kerr, who first played the role on Broadway and then at the MGM studios: "The story has not been spoiled. The author of the play has written the film and done a beautiful job of it. But there is no suggestion in the film of homosexuality. The boy is shown as 'sensitive,' rather 'unmanly'—you know, the non-athletic type. The situation still holds true. In an American college such a boy is liable to be persecuted as a cissy and could easily be warped for life because of this."

In the film the master's wife, Miss Kerr, still makes the same sacrifice as in the play to convince the boy of his manhood.

But in the film she has to suffer for her transgression. An epilogue has been added which shows the schoolboy as a grown man who is now happily married and has children. It also shows an older Miss Kerr, suffering.

Said Miss Kerr: "We have to conform with the Code. It says adultery must be punished. So I have to be shown unhappy. We wouldn't be allowed to show a woman committing adultery and be happy about it, whatever the circumstances."

Miss Kerr does not object to the Code, even though it may be slightly absurd. Miss Kerr does not object because she has a way of being accommodating and seeing the other point of view.

She has just completed the film, "Tea and Sympathy." The play, which is to be done in Paris by Ingrid Bergman, is still banned in London by the Lord Chamberlain. It is the story of a schoolboy who is wrongly suspected of having a homosexual relationship with one of the masters. Miss Kerr is the master's wife—who conclusively proves to be the boy that he is normal.

In Hollywood, where gossip is the principal sport and recrea-



DEBORAH KERR  
Start being sorry for me . . .

tion, there is no gossip about Miss Kerr. Everybody likes her. She said: "All the people who are supposed to be difficult have been perfectly sweet to me. Oh yes, I've had leading men who've called out 'Hiya Duchess,' for the first few days in a not too pleasant way. But the secret is not to get annoyed. I just reply: 'Hiya, Lordship' and they love that and we're friends."

I asked how she imagined she would get on with the moody Mr Brando. She said: "I've met him. He was . . . and she made a scowling face . . . like that all the time. I shall have to convert him to normalcy, shan't I?"

The Deborah Kerr life in Hollywood is the epitome of normalcy. From the standpoint of a normal, balanced woman, I

asked her to tell me why so many Hollywood stars are abnormal, unbalanced and neurotic.

"May be they believe their publicity," said Miss Kerr. "Perhaps they've been spoiled, perhaps they had the wrong sort of upbringing. If you've been kicked around the side-walks, like Frank Sinatra, well, it's bound to have an effect. Or if you have a background like Ava's, well, it's inevitable. . . . Of course there is Monty Clift: he had a very normal happy home life . . . and yet . . . 'I don't know, really,' said Miss Kerr, "but you know all the most brilliant and successful people seem to be neurotic these days. Perhaps we should stop being sorry for them. And start being sorry for me. For being so confounded normal."

Events have moved so rapidly in the last few years that few people have any idea of the magnitude of these statements. To say that future aircraft may travel at 2,500 miles an hour means that they will fly 100 miles an hour faster than a bullet from a .30 calibre rifle. The expression "he went like a shot from a gun" may well have lost its power of exaggeration within the next two decades.

All this adds up to one fact. The days of the aircraft pilot, in the true sense of the term, are numbered. His "reaction time" has become a stumbling block in the path of progress. The distance between two aircraft travelling towards each other at even 1,500 miles an hour

diminishes at such a rate that before the pilot could possibly identify an enemy plane, it would be too late to fire his guns—unless he had automatic equipment.

And that is what aircraft engineers are working on—planes that run themselves. The pilot of the future will do little more than press buttons. Engineers are gradually turning over this job to cool, collected robot "brains" and electronic equipment. His plane will be equipped with computers for steering, releasing guided missiles and so on.

And according to Dr N. E. Edlefsen, research official of North American Aviation: "The man in the plane won't need to know any more about how computers work than a housewife knows about her radio."

## DUNKIRK:

AN ASTONISHING  
FRENCH CLAIM

By ROBERT J. EDWARDS

ELEVEN years after Dunkirk an extraordinary claim is made by a retired French Admiral about the part played by his country in the withdrawal that saved Britain. Universally it has been accepted that Dunkirk was almost entirely a British feat. But the Frenchman—Rear Admiral Paul Auphan, Assistant Chief (Operations) of the French Admiralty General Staff in 1940—tells a different story.

On May 21, 1940, he visited Dover. It was obvious to him, he writes in the official U.S. navy magazine, Naval Institute Proceedings, that the British were planning the immediate evacuation of their troops in France. Promptly he gave orders that the withdrawal was to be backed with every French life available.

### VAST ARMADA

At his command nearly everything afloat in the French Channel ports was requisitioned. A vast armada, manned by French civilians and fishermen as well as the French Navy, joined the little ships of England that were shuttling across the Channel.

By the end of the operation, claims Auphan, France had lost almost as many ships as the British Navy. Over a fifth of her Dunkirk force was sunk—including two destroyers, five torpedo boats, 14 transports, 27 fishing vessels and two tankers. Many lives were sacrificed.

The French admiral asserts that of the 330,000 soldiers brought home from Dunkirk, 50,000 sailed in French vessels under French protection.

In that case Britain and the free world owe a great debt to France that has never been acknowledged. For neither in the Churchill memoirs nor in the official war history is any such major contribution by the French reported.

### FINAL PHASE

Chilchill says that 40 French and Belgian craft took part in the final phase. But nowhere does he mention or hint that French lost almost as many ships as Britain.

The official war history says: "French ships and French sailors also played a part. It was a very much smaller part, but in playing it the French Marine paid its inevitable cost."

No one reading this would imagine that 50,000 men, mostly British, were brought across the Channel by French sailors, and that over 50 French ships were destroyed.

How can this apparent conflict of evidence be resolved? Very easily. If Auphan is wrong, he should be corrected. If he is right, Britain should amend the record and give France her due.

Fifty thousand more prisoners might well have died. Hitler in favour of invading Britain.

### HIGH MORALE

Admiral Auphan does not rest his case on this evidence that at least one branch of the French services, the Navy, kept its morale high even when defeat was certain.

He tells how the French Navy strained every resource to cheat Hitler of plunder while the Paris Government sued for peace.

One hundred Italian enemy submarines swarmed the Mediterranean. Yet the French sent many shiploads of raw materials across the sea to Algeria, and everything of military value that could be moved. A multitude of airplanes flew from Goering's grasp.

He tells how on June 10, French Navy Chief Admiral Darlan met Britain's First Lord of the Admiralty, A. V. Alexander, and Admiral of the Fleet Sir Dudley Pound.

Darlan gave his solemn word that French ships would never sail except under the orders of France. They would remain French. Or they would be destroyed.

This pledge was kept. When the French surrendered, many of her ships sailed to Britain. Many more sailed to Africa. Many were scuttled.

### THE COURAGE

There was none for Hitler. And no gold either. Treasury nuggets weighing altogether 2,500 tons were loaded on cruisers at Brest and Bordeaux and shipped through U-boat nests to Dakar. They were buried deep in the heart of Africa.

One more story, told only now by Admiral Auphan, illustrates the courage of Frenchmen during these warm, sun-drenched days of humiliation and defeat.

Paris was bombed by the Luftwaffe. On June 7, France retaliated with the first raid of the war on Berlin. "A formation of naval aircraft," the Government announced, had bombarded the German capital.

Now we know the truth. The "formation" was just one airplane, an unarmed commercial aircraft commandeered by the Navy for sea reconnaissance.

How it survived, its crew never understood. The "bom-bardment" was militarily useless, of course. But it gave France pride for a moment in months of sorrow.



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## Days Of The Pilot Are Numbered

By EDWARD OAKLAND

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Almost in reply to the question came details of a new aircraft which is heralded as America's most likely challenger . . . to regain the world record. It is the Lockheed F-104 Starfighter, credited with a performance of the 1,200 miles-an-hour range.

Is there any limit to speed in the air? In 1935 a science

writer in a New York newspaper declared that at 575 miles an hour the air resistance was such that no engine could make headway against it. He spoke of the "terrific speed of 440 miles an hour," which an Italian airman had achieved in setting up the 1934 world air speed record.

That was just over 20 years ago. Today, aeronautical engineers talk glibly in terms of 2,000 miles an hour for aircraft of the future. A Douglas Aircraft Company engineer has predicted that aircraft able to fly at 1,700 miles an hour may be feasible by 1960.

The days of the aircraft pilot, in the true sense of the term, are numbered. His "reaction time" has become a stumbling block in the path of progress. The distance between two aircraft travelling towards each other at even 1,500 miles an hour

diminishes at such a rate that before the pilot could possibly identify an enemy plane, it would be too late to fire his guns—unless he had automatic equipment.

And that is what aircraft engineers are working on—planes that run themselves. The pilot of the future will do little more than press buttons. Engineers are gradually turning over this job to cool, collected robot "brains" and electronic equipment. His plane will be equipped with computers for steering, releasing guided missiles and so on.

And according to Dr N. E. Edlefsen, research official of North American Aviation: "The man in the plane won't need to know any more about how computers work than a housewife knows about her radio."















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This Dividend will be pay-  
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THE REGISTER OF  
SHARES of the Corporation  
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August, 1956 (both days  
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period no transfer of shares  
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By Order of the Board  
of Directors,  
MICHAEL W. TURNER,  
Chief Manager  
Hongkong, 10th July, 1956.

**NOTICE**  
LANE, CRAWFORD,  
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Notice to Shareholders  
NOTICE IS HEREBY  
GIVEN that the Thirtieth  
Ordinary Yearly Meeting of  
Shareholders of Lane,  
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held in the Company's Offices  
1st Floor, Telephone House,  
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July, 1956, at Noon for the  
following purposes:

1. To receive and consider  
the Accounts for the  
year ended 29th Febru-  
ary, 1956, and the  
Reports of the Directors  
and Auditors thereon.
2. To sanction the pay-  
ment of a Dividend and  
to approve the proposed  
appropriation.
3. To re-elect a Director.
4. To Appoint Auditors.
5. To transact any other  
ordinary business.

The Share Transfer Books  
of the Company will be  
closed from 4th to 14th July,  
1956, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board  
of Directors,  
C. G. HOBBS,  
Acting Secretary.  
Hong Kong, 14th June, 1956.

## SULTAN'S PALACE AS JUNGLE WAR H.Q.

### Aussie Force Plots Operations In Former Harem

Australian Field Headquarters,  
Kuala Kangsar, July 12.  
Jungle-hardened Australian officers  
are plotting the war against the  
Communists in this key area of Malaya in  
the one-time harem of the Sultan of Perak.  
The ornate, wooden palace, perched on  
a hill above the royal town of Kuala  
Kangsar, is the headquarters of the Second  
Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment.

Sun-tanned Australians, striped to the waist in the  
noon heat of Malaya, and with  
business-like Owen guns and  
rifles by their sides, are in in-  
conspicuous sight in the palace  
which was once the haunt of  
the graceful, sarong-clad  
beauties of the royal court.

The bespectacled Sultan of  
Perak, His Highness Raja Sir  
Yusuf Izzat Al-Mahmud Sultan  
Abdullah, moved from the  
wooden palace more than 20  
years ago. The royal house-  
hold now in a modern-domed  
pink stone building about ten  
minutes' drive away.

#### ARMY CAMP

Since security forces have  
been fighting the Communists  
in Malaya, the palace has be-  
come an army camp and be-  
cause from Britain and many  
parts of the Commonwealth  
have had their headquarters  
there.

The Kuala Kangsar area of  
Perak has always been one of  
the key battle-grounds in the  
war against the Communists in  
Malaya. The emergency start-  
ed a few miles from here in  
1948 when Communists rose in  
revolt and murdered European  
rubber planters.

Senior officers say that the  
struggle, which has just entered  
its ninth year, might very well  
end here too.

This rich tin and rubber dis-  
trict of Perak is one of the re-  
sisting areas where the Com-  
munists in Malaya are still  
strong, officers say.  
If their hold of terror and  
fear on the civilian population  
is broken in Perak, officers say  
that the security forces might  
be able to drive a wedge be-  
tween the Communists' strong-  
hold on the border of Thailand  
and the other main terrorist  
area in Southern Malaya in  
Johore State.

#### REAL JOB

"We know we have a real job  
to do here," the Suluahin  
adjutant, Captain Don Ramsay,  
who came to Australia from  
Greenock, said.

The Australian troops are  
spread over a fair area of  
Perak State. Officers said that  
the companies were settled for  
the most part in permanent  
buildings.  
Operational patrols push out  
through the rubber and jungle  
for several days at a time.  
The green-uniformed "Diggers"  
set up patrol bases inside the  
jungle and the sections fan out  
from these advance camps to  
hunt the terrorists.

Much of the patrolling is dull  
and routine, officers say, and  
the troops are often called on  
to lie in ambush positions for  
a day or so at a time in the  
hope of catching a terrorist  
band.

But the waiting sometimes  
brings results and the Aus-  
tralians have killed two  
terrorists since they moved  
into Kuala Kangsar early in  
May.

#### VULNERABLE

Officers report that these kills  
boosted the morale of the  
villagers particularly round the notorious  
Sungai Siput settlement.  
Terrorists had been carrying  
out their activities without in-  
jury for several months, the  
officers said, and had told the  
villagers that they were  
invulnerable.

The kills had shown that the  
terrorists were vulnerable and  
had interfered with their hold  
over the villagers.  
Security force reports say  
that two of the toughest  
terrorist bands in Malaya, the  
notorious 13th and 10th in-  
dependent platoons, are at work  
in this area of Perak. Several  
"armed work forces," whose  
mission is to intimidate the  
villagers and collect food and  
money, keep them supplied.

#### FOUGHT JAPS

The reports say that the  
terrorist organisation here and  
its key men are probably the  
most experienced jungle fighters  
in the world. Some of the  
leaders fought the Japanese  
from 1942 until 1945 in the  
jungles, then returned in 1946.

In one of the platoons is a  
section whose special mission is  
to terrorise Tamil rubber tap-  
pers on plantations, according  
to security force reports.

The section leader is called  
Perumal. Police officers de-  
scribe him as a brutal and crafty  
killer.

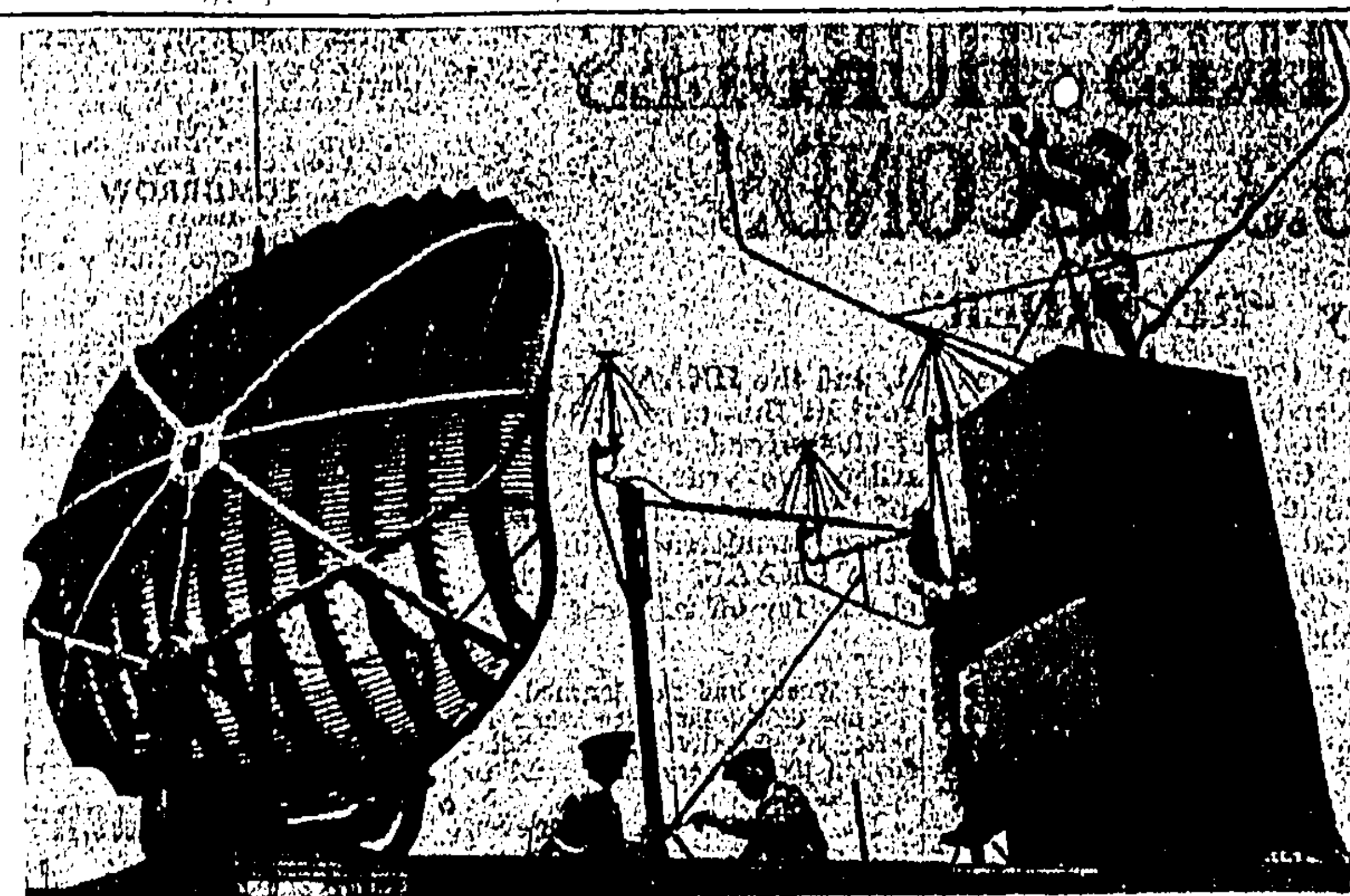
Perumal has succeeded in  
convincing some of the supersti-  
tious Tappers that he is im-  
mune to bullets, police  
reports say.

If we sight Mr Perumal in  
the jungle we won't need silver  
bullet, he said, and he said  
one of the Australians, "fodding a  
five gun."

#### REGULAR LEAVE

Army authorities have  
established a regular leave and  
recuperation schedule for many  
of the Australians. They hope  
to keep the companies rotating  
so that as a rule one company  
is resting in the home barracks  
at Minden, Penang.

Penang, where many of the  
British troops have their wives,  
is only about four hours' drive  
away and married men are  
given regular spells at home  
whenever possible. China  
Mail Special.



Members of the 51st Italian  
Aero Brigata make adjust-  
ments on a flight control  
tower during Exercise Thun-  
derhead, the first large-scale  
North Atlantic Treaty Organi-  
zation defence exercise in the  
Southern European and  
Mediterranean area since  
1953. Nations contributing to  
the exercise were Britain,  
France, Greece, Italy, Turkey  
and the USA.—Express Photo.

## NEAR SPEED OF LIGHT ROCKET

Bonn, July 12.

The construction of a  
rocket which would move  
almost at the speed of  
light is being studied by  
Professor Saenger, director  
of the Stuttgart Institute  
of Radio-Propulsion, the  
information bulletin of the  
West German Government  
announced today.

The German scientist's project  
involves propelling a rocket by  
means of photons. These pho-  
tons of luminous energy move  
at a speed of 186,324 miles per  
second, which is the speed of  
light itself. Saenger bases his  
idea on the theory that every  
source of light is a source of  
energy which remains minute as  
long as it is not possible to  
concentrate it.

It is already known that the  
light of the sun exerts a

pressure of 400,000 tons on the  
earth. A fraction of this power  
would be enough to propel an  
interplanetary rocket.

#### LIKE GAS LAMP

In order to concentrate the  
energy of light, the professor  
has conceived a sort of projector  
which resembles a gas lamp. In  
this projector, which is still in  
the realm of theory, atomic  
particles moving through the gas  
would make it luminous and the  
forces from this concentrated  
light would be enough to drive  
an interplanetary rocket which  
could reach Mars in one hour.

This miraculous machine will  
not however be built in the  
near future. Saenger pointed  
out that a generation of scien-  
tists will still have to work  
before such a rocket could  
permit man to explore the  
depths of the Milky Way.—  
France-Press.

## Gromyko Speech Attacked At UN

United Nations, July 12.  
Almost every member of the  
12-nation Disarmament  
Commission sharply criticised  
the speech of the Soviet  
delegate, Mr Andrei Gromyko.

Mr Gromyko accepted the  
Western proposal of manpower  
levels for disarmament. How-  
ever, he coupled this with a de-  
mand for a ban on nuclear wea-  
pons and delivered a blistering  
attack against US foreign policy.  
The US Ambassador, Mr  
Henry Cabot Lodge Jr., was the  
first to denounce Mr Gromyko's  
speech.

It was a "scurrilous attack on  
my country in the very worst  
traditions of Stalinism," he said.

#### NONSENSE!

The Iranian Ambassador Mr  
Djalal Abdoh objected to Mr  
Gromyko's charge that Near  
East peoples were "prisoners"  
of the Baghdad Pact which was  
designed to preserve British and  
American positions in the area.

"My country adhered to the  
Baghdad Pact in accordance  
with article 51 of the Charter,  
in view of the international  
situation."

"We adhered to the Baghdad  
Pact because of our bitter ex-  
periences of the past and I am  
sure many of these are not  
known to Mr Gromyko. I refer  
to 1946, when Iran had to re-  
quest the Security Council to  
draw its troops from Azerbaijan.  
In view of this, it was normal  
for us to think about defence  
and link our efforts to safeguard  
our position."

"We are not prisoners in the  
Baghdad pact," Mr Abdoh said.

Mr Anthony Nutting of  
Britain challenged Mr Gromyko's  
analysis of the situation in Ger-  
many and the Far East.

#### ENCOURAGING?

"No country has tried harder  
than mine to find an equitable  
and acceptable solution to these  
grave international issues," he  
said.

Mr Nutting said he agreed  
with Mr Abdoh's defence of the  
Baghdad Pact.

He said he saw in other parts  
of Mr Gromyko's speech "some  
rather more encouraging signs,"  
and he would like to study them  
carefully before commenting on  
them.

M. Jules Moch of France  
said "I again ask Mr Gromyko  
to get from his government an  
understanding and acceptance of  
the fact that reduction in armed  
forces and budgets can be  
achieved only if the nuclear  
arms race is slowed down by  
reducing stockpiles," he said.

Dr E. Ronald Walker of  
Australia, came to the defence  
of Southeast Asia Treaty  
Organisation.

#### MISLEADING

He said it was misleading to  
content that the US had created  
SEATO. "It was created by the  
conditions in Asia in recent  
years and by the consciousness  
of the countries in that area of  
threats to their continued  
independence. It is (Gromyko)  
said it was an aggressive bloc.  
Against whom is it aggressive?  
The terms of the treaty are open  
for all to see."—United Press.

## West Germany Building New Air Force

Bonn, July 12.

West Germany will  
spend 2,010,000,000 marks  
(around \$480,000,000) on  
planes for her new air  
force, according to figures  
published in the West  
German press today.

The great majority of the  
planes will be bought from Brit-  
ain, France and the United  
States. A small number of  
light craft will come from  
member countries of the Euro-  
pean Payments Union.

The Air Force will comprise  
three squadrons of all-weather,  
fighters—228-F-80-K Sabres.  
It will also have two squadrons  
of transport planes, 137  
Noratons, of which the first will  
be bought from France and the  
remainder made under licence  
in Germany, and later 33 Brit-  
ish Percival Pembroke.

#### SEA HAWKS

West Germany's navy-air  
force will be equipped with 68  
British Sea Hawks (fighters and  
reconnaissance planes), 10  
British Fairey Gannets anti-  
submarine craft, and five  
American Grumman Albatross sea  
rescue planes.

Ground forces will be sup-  
plied with 428 German DC 27  
observation planes, and a total  
of 180 helicopters—94 British,  
80 American and six French.

The air force will also have  
362 French and 265 Italian  
training planes, the press  
stated.—France-Press.

## MP Complains To Minister

London, July 12.

A Tory MP, Mr Charles  
Fletcher-Cooke, complained in  
the House of Commons today  
that whenever MPs ask for  
protection against cotton goods  
entering the United Kingdom  
"we are told that it would pro-  
voke an unprecedented breach  
in the principle of free imports  
into this country."

Mr Peter Thornycroft, Presi-  
dent of the Board of Trade, had  
just replied to a question from  
Mr Fletcher-Cooke. He told him  
that imports of rayon and other  
man-made fibres were subject  
to a duty of five-sixths of the  
full rates of silk and artificial  
silk duties, and added there  
were also other restrictions on  
these imports.

He said this silk and rayon  
duty is revenue known as the  
McKenna Duties, and added  
that he would be happy to dis-  
cuss the historical origin of this  
duty with Mr Fletcher-Cooke at  
any time.

The McKenna Duties were  
special duties imposed on certain  
imports by Reginald McKenna  
who was Chancellor of the  
Exchequer in the short-lived  
Asquith government in 1915  
and 1916.—London Express Ser-  
vice.

## Korea Cuts Forces

London, July 12.

North Korea is to cut her  
armed forces by 80,000 by  
August 15 this year, North  
Korean Premier Kim Il Sung  
told Moscow Radio and televi-  
sion audiences tonight.

Marshal Kim said his Gov-  
ernment would take every  
step to prevent a new war  
breaking out in Korea and aim-  
ed to strengthen friendship with  
all countries in the cause of  
world peace.—Reuters.

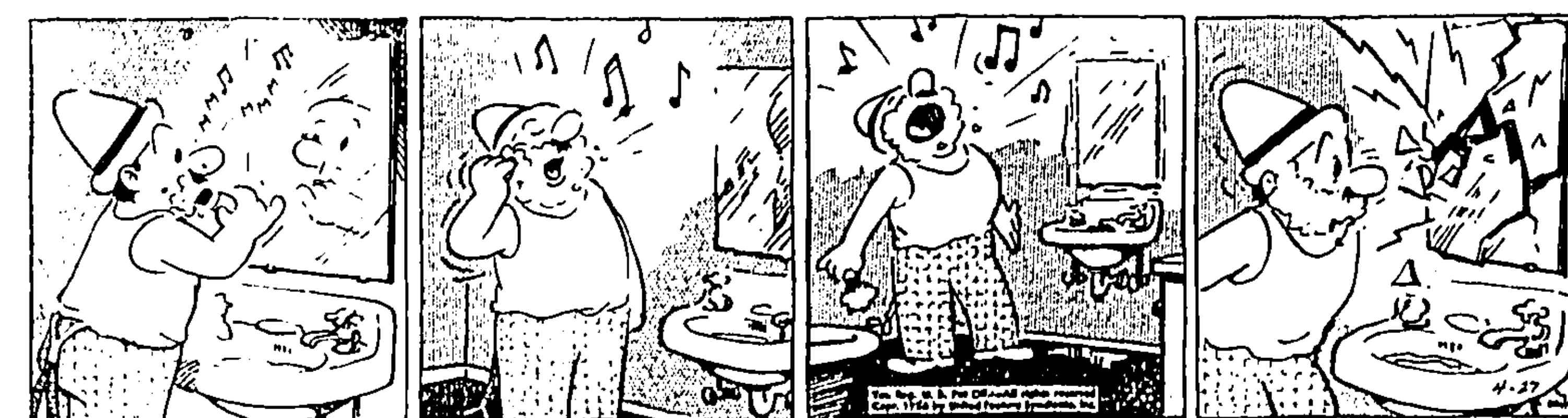
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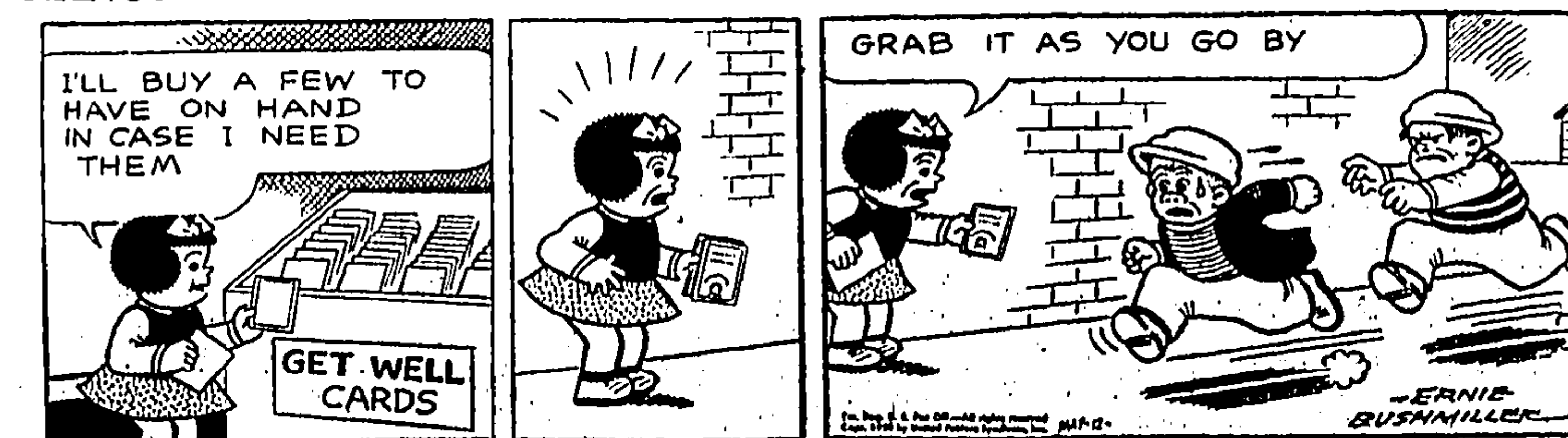
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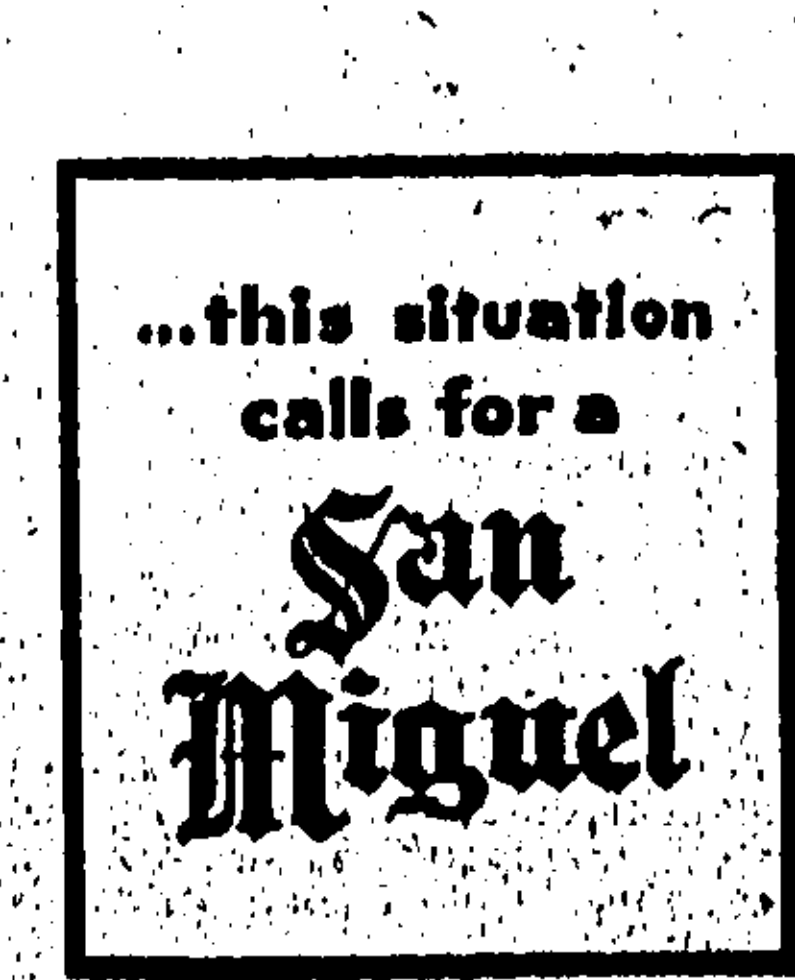
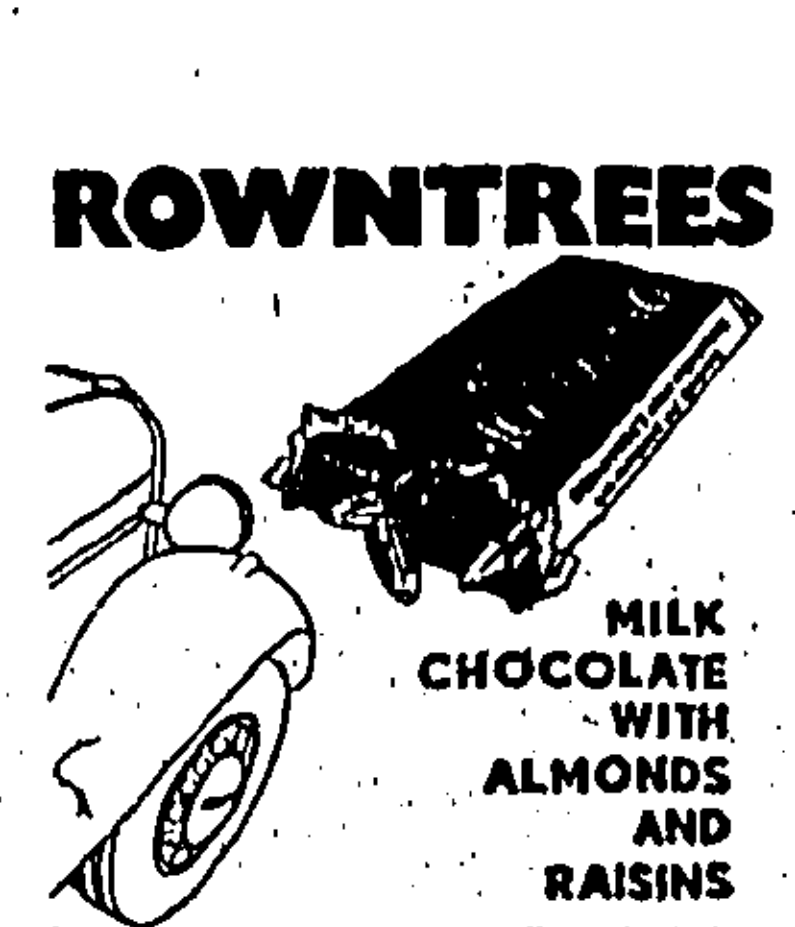
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## TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

## A STEADY WEEK FOR SHARES

Turnover Up Slightly  
In Quiet Market

## YAUMATIS IMPROVE

By A Special Correspondent

The share market decline which began with the closing of the half-year accounts flattened out this week and with a slightly higher volume of business share prices held a fairly steady course.

Turnover was up from \$2.86 million to \$3.68 million. On the week twelve shares were lower, ten were higher and seven were steady.

Most of the changes, as the panel shows, are very small. Apart from Monday when turnover exceeded \$1 million, the market has been fairly quiet.

## CHICAGO GRAIN MARKET

Chicago, July 12.

Grain futures prices were generally lower on the Board of Trade today, with soybeans suffering the sharpest declines.

July soybean deliveries dropped just a cent short of the 10-cent limit at one point. The depressing forces were substantial notices of intentions to deliver before the decline which is approaching. Vegetable oil prices dropped off as well, further melting the decrease.

On the export market, Greece was reported to have bought 3,000 tons of soybean oil and Spain is said to have purchased 10,000 tons of soybean oil. Chile, Turkey, and Paraguay were also said to be potential vegetable oil buyers.

Wheat closed off 1/2 to 1 1/2 cents; soybeans off 1 1/2 to 6 1/2 cents. Futures:

Wheat, No. 2, red

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